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Sir:

Copies of the following references are provided for the Examiner:

Journal of Cellular Physiology 176:57-66, 1998 (Attached Reference 1).

Hematologica 2001; 86:1099-1100 (Attached Reference 2);

STEM CELLS 2003;21: 105-110 (Attached Reference 3); and

British Journal of Haematology, 2003, 121, 368-374 (Attached Reference 4)

The references are cited in attached 1449, for the Examiner's consideration and citation in the examination of this case. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner sign and initial the PTO Form SB08 and return a copy there of.

The applicants provided the references to dispute the rejection of the claims in the outstanding Office Action.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is authorized to charge any requisite fee for this paper to Deposit Account 22-0261 and advise us accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,

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